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**ADDITIVE FOR INCREASING THE DENSITY OF AN OIL-BASED FLUID AND FLUID  
COMPRISING SUCH ADDITIVE**

the specification of which

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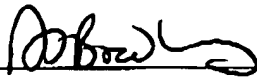
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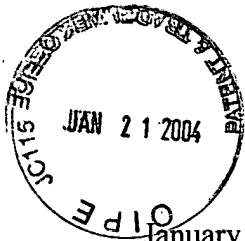
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